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1. This operation seems to be carried along by its own momentum and, barring unforeseen developments, it can be expected to result either in GAMBIT's recruitment as a Soviet agent operating in OMGUS, or in an attempt on SKURIN's part to abduct GAMBIT.

2. We have laid our plans accordingly, with the ultimate objective in mind of forcing SKURIN to place himself under our control. The latter part of the operation is in its formative phase now. Our tentative plan is to use our information on SKURIN and his operations as a blackmail weapon by threatening to pass it on to his superiors. We believe that our information will carry sufficiently clear implications of professional inadequacy on SKURIN's part to convince him that his professional future - or even more than that - is at stake, and that the only way for him to extricate himself from this predicament is by cooperating with us. For example we could prove to him, although this is in fact notional, that his interpreter and mistress DCOCIA has been furnishing us with important information through SAVOY. This contention neither he nor DCOCIA will be in a position to refute.

3. This operation will be carefully worked out in order to provide for all possible contingencies. In case we are forced through circumstances beyond our control to catch SKURIN red-handed in the act of trying to abduct GAMBIT, AB-102 will be placed in charge of the actual handling of the defection. If, contrary to our expectations, GAMBIT should be recruited by SKURIN as an agent, we would in the course of that operation probably be able to collect a great deal more information of an incriminating nature before we decide to turn the tables on him.

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